

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 4184; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 554 were introduced. **Page H9025**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H9025–26**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 158, To clarify the grounds for ineligibility for travel to the United States regarding terrorism risk, to expand the criteria by which a country may be removed from the Visa Waiver Program, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit a report on strengthening the Electronic System for Travel Authorization to better secure the international borders of the United States and prevent terrorists and instruments of terrorism from entering the United States, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–369, Part 1);

H.R. 2795, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit a study on the circumstances which may impact the effectiveness and availability of first responders before, during, or after a terrorist threat or event, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–370); and

H.R. 1321, to prohibit the sale or distribution of cosmetics containing synthetic plastic microbeads, with amendments (H. Rept. 114–371). **Page H9025**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Byrne to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H9015**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H9015**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:19 p.m. and reconvened at 3:46 p.m. **Page H9018**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Federal Improper Payments Coordination Act of 2015: S. 614, to provide access to and use of information by Federal agencies in order to reduce improper payments; **Pages H9018–21**

Microbead-Free Waters Act of 2015: H.R. 1321, amended, to prohibit the sale or distribution of cosmetics containing synthetic plastic microbeads; and **Pages H9021–22**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to prohibit the manufacture and introduction or delivery for introduction into interstate commerce of rinse-off cosmetics containing intentionally-added plastic microbeads.” **Page H9022**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H9017.

Senate Referral: S. 2032 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. **Page H9022**

Discharge Petition: Representative Thompson (CA) presented to the clerk a motion to discharge the Committee on the Judiciary from the consideration of the bill, H.R. 1076, to increase public safety by permitting the Attorney General to deny the transfer of a firearm or the issuance of firearms or explosives licenses to a known or suspected dangerous terrorist (Discharge Petition No. 3).

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

TRADE FACILITATION AND TRADE ENFORCEMENT ACT

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 644, to reauthorize trade facilitation and trade enforcement functions and activities, but did not complete action thereon.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1259)

H.R. 22, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs. Signed on December 4, 2015. (Public Law 114–94)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine improving the Pentagon’s development of policy, strategy, and plans, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Space, Science, and Competitiveness, to

hold hearings to examine promoting open inquiry in the debate over the magnitude of human impact on earth's climate, 3 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine S. 2257, to prepare the National Park Service for its Centennial in 2016 and for a second century of protecting our national parks' natural, historic, and cultural resources for present and future generations, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider S. Res. 189, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the 25th anniversary of democracy in Mongolia, an original resolution celebrating the 135th Anniversary of the United States and Romania Diplomatic Relations, and routine lists in the Foreign Service; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the Millennium Challenge Corporation, focusing on lessons learned after a decade and outlook for the future, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine opioid abuse in America, focusing on facing the epidemic and examining solutions, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine the AB InBev/SABMiller merger and the state of competition in the beer industry, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

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Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled "Prompt Global Strike: American and Foreign Developments", 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "An Overdue Checkup Part II: Examining the ACA's State Insurance Marketplaces", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Financial Stability Oversight Council", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2187, the "Fair Investment Opportunities for Professional Experts Act"; H.R. 2205, the "Data Security Act of 2015"; H.R. 2287, the "National Credit Union Administration Budget Transparency Act"; H.R. 3700, the "Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act of 2015"; H.R. 3784, the "SEC Small Business Advocate Act of 2015"; H.R. 3791, to raise the consolidated assets threshold under the small bank holding company policy statement, and for other purposes; H.R. 4168, the "Small Business Capital Formation Enhancement Act"; and Task Force to Investigate Terrorism Financing Resolution of 2016, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing entitled "Civil Nuclear Cooperation with Pakistan: Prospects and Consequences", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing

entitled "Drug Resistant Tuberculosis: The Next Global Health Crisis?", 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled "Examining TSA's Global Efforts to Protect the Homeland from Aviation Threats and Enhance Security at Last Point of Departure Airports", 1 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled "Ensuring Certainty for Royalty Payments on Federal Resource Production", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing on H.R. 3764, the "Tribal Recognition Act of 2015" (Part II), 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Review of the New London Embassy Project", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Interior; and Subcommittee on Health Care, Benefits and Administrative Rules, joint hearing entitled "Examining the Stream Protection Rule", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation and Public Assets, hearing entitled "Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) Program Consolidation", 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2130, the "Red River Private Property Protection Act", 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Technology, hearing entitled "The Future of Biotechnology: Solutions for Energy, Agriculture and Manufacturing", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on H.R. 3262, to provide for the conveyance of land of the Illiana Health Care System of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Danville, Illinois; H.R. 3484, the "Los Angeles Homeless Veterans Leasing Act of 2015"; H.R. 4056, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to convey to the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs all right, title, and interest of the United States to the property known as "The Community Living Center" at the Lake Baldwin Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic, Orlando, Florida; draft of a bill to amend the Veterans' Benefits Programs Improvement Act of 1991 to authorize VA to sell Pershing Hall; and VA's legislative proposal regarding fiscal year 2016 construction projects, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of December 8 through December 11,
2015

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 10 a.m., Senate will resume consideration of the conference report to accompany S. 1177, Every Child Achieves Act, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the conference report to accompany the bill at 11:30 a.m.